Replacement of the Child in the Safdarjung Hospital in Delhi

996. SHRI SURYAKANTA JAYAWANTRAO PATIL:
SHRI J. P. GOYAL:
SHRI F. M. KHAN:
SHRI RAM NARESH KUSHAWAHA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a newly born male child of a housewife named Rajbala has been replaced with a female child in the Nursery of Safdarjung Hospital on 29th/30th January 1988;

(b) if so, what action is being taken against the erring staff of this hospital involved in this inhuman incident:

(c) if the answer of the part (b) be in negative what are the reasons thereof; and

(d) what necessary action does Government propose to take to curb such incidents in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) It is alleged that a newly born male child of Mrs. Rajbala has been replaced with a female child.

(b) and (c) The matter has been handed over to the Police for investigation.

(d) The Directorate General of Health Services has issued guidelines on 16th February, 1988 to safeguard against the possibility of exchange of babies.

High charges by the Air India in the Gulf-Trivandrum Sector

997. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any complaint that the Air India is charging higher rates than other Airlines in the Gulf-Trivandrum Sector;

(b) whether Government have taken any steps to level the difference; if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government have taken up the matter with the IATA in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE AND THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI MOTI LAL VORA): (a) to (c) While such complaints have been received from time to time, there is no difference between air fares charged by Air India and other airlines. Air fares applicable on Gulf-Trivandrum Sector are the same for all airlines including Air India, having been fixed multilaterally by all Airlines at International Air Transport Association (IATA). Air India had taken up the question of reducing air fare on Gulf Sector in IATA forum. The proposal was not acceptable to other member-airlines.

Primary Health Centres in Kerala

998. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Kerala State Government had implemented the scheme of community health centres during the Sixth Plan and the first three years of the Seventh Plan; and

(b) if so, the number of Primary Health Centres likely to be opened in Kerala in the year 1988-89 and what is the proposed outlay and central assistance?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) According to information given by the State Government the scheme for Community Health Centres was not taken up for implementation in Kerala, during the